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Proceeding	92052901
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WHATABURGER PARTNERSHIP,	§	
	§	
Petitioner,	§	
	§	
v.	§	Cancellation No. 92052901
	§	
WALA INDUSTRIES, INC.	§	
	§	
Registrant.	§	

MOTION FOR SUSPENSION FOR SETTLEMENT WITH CONSENT

The parties are actively engaged in negotiations for the settlement of this matter. Petitioner¹ requests that this proceeding be suspended for 30 days to allow the parties to continue their settlement efforts.

On June 20, 2013 and July 12, 2013, Petitioner filed a consented Motion to Extend all remaining deadlines and a Motion for Suspension, respectively, and the Board has not yet ruled on the Motions. Assuming they are granted, the parties' next deadline is October 10, 2013 (expert disclosures). Petitioner therefore files this consented motion to suspend the proceeding, and presents the following progress report. Petitioner sent its latest settlement proposal to Registrant in May 2013. Petitioner's communication to Registrant included background information relating to developments in Petitioner's trademark portfolio affecting potential settlement in this proceeding. Registrant is considering Petitioner's proposal, and as Petitioner understands it, Registrant and its counsel are meeting today to discuss strategy and next steps.

Upon the granting of this motion, the following time periods would apply:

Expert Disclosure Due:

01/08/2014

¹ After the initiation of this proceeding, Petitioner Whataburger Partnership was converted to Tres Aguilas Enterprises LLC, a Texas limited liability company.

Discovery Closes:	02/07/2014
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures:	03/24/2014
Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends:	05/08/2014
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures:	07/22/2014
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends:	08/21/2014

Petitioner submits that good cause for suspension is shown and respectfully requests that the Board grant this motion. Petitioner has secured the express consent of all other parties to this proceeding for the suspension and resetting of dates requested herein. Specifically, Registrant's attorney communicated Registrant's consent to this request on October 10, 2013.

Dated: October 10, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the **MOTION FOR SUSPENSION FOR SETTLEMENT WITH CONSENT** has been served via First Class Mail, postage prepaid to counsel for Registrant at the address below, on October 10, 2013:

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